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SUBJECT: NFDI MIXING REGULATIONS

IN SERIES OF DISCUSSION WITH MIDDLE LEVEL MAFF COMMODITY
OFFICIALS HELD DURING WANAMAKER VISIT FEB 26 FOLLOWING
POINTS EMERGED.

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1. DESPITE REPEATED REPRESENTATIONS BY EMBOFFS TO POLICY

LEVEL OFFICIALS, FOREIGN OFFICE AND MAFF, USG CONCERN OVER EC PROPOQAL NFDN MIXING REGULATION MAFF COMMODITY OFFICIALS AT WORKING LEVEL APPARENTLY NOT CONSULTED OR INFORMED BY THEIR SUPERIORS. CONGRESSMAN FINDLEY'S PRESS RELEASE OF FE 13 ADDED TO ANXIETY OVER OFFICIAL US ATTITUDE AND WAS HAND-CARRIED TO BRUSSELS FEB 26 BY MAFF REPRESENTATIVE TO 10TH FAO SESSION INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP, OILSEEDS, OILS AND FATS SCHEDULED ROME MAR 10.

2. MAFF OILSEED COMMODITY OFFICIALS VIEW CURRENT EC-NFDN PROPOSAL ONLY STOPGAP MEASURE AND PRELUDE SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT IL OLIVE OIL SURPLUS PROBLEM, WITH VIEW TO RAISING PRICE OF OTHER COMPETING OILS TO ENCOURAGE USE OF OLIVE OIL. THEY WARNED THAT EC ALREADY PREPARED OLIVE OIL SCHEME AND LIKELY TO BE LAUNCHED AS SUCCESS OF NFDN ARRANGEMENT ASSURED.

3. MAFF DAIRY REPS FELT USG FAILED TO ACCEPT THAT EC HAD INCORPORATED QIGNIFICANT VARIABLE SUPPORT PRICE DECREASE TO SET STAGE CHANGE IN CONTINUOUS SURPLUS NFDN. IN RESPONSE TO SUGGESTION THAT EC AGAIN APPEARED TO BE SHIFTING DAIRY SURPLUS PROBLEM TO OILSEED COMPLEX (AS IN MANSHOLT PLAN AND 1969 TAX PROPOSALS), MAFF DAIRY PEOPLE RESPONDED THAT CURRENT EC/GRAIN CAP ADDING MATERIALLY TO SBM UTILIZATION IN COMMUNITY.

4. IN DISCUSSION GATT STATUS USG MAY NOTE THAT POINT IN PARA 3 ABOVE PEF SBM UTILIZATION ALSO MAKES THE POINT THAT LIKE COMMODITY COVERATE WOULD APPEAR TO NEED TO INCLUDE ALL FEED GRAINS AND OTHER PROTEINS. TRADE REPORTS HERE INDICATE ANIMAL PROTEINS NOT COVERED BY NEWEST DEPOSIT PROPOSAL THUS ENCOURAGING USE MEAT, FISH, BONE, FEATHER, BLOOD MEALS, MEAT SCRAPS, ETC. WHICH LARGELY DOMESTIC PRODUCTION AT EXPENSE IMPORTED VEGETABLE PROTEINS.

5. BRAZIL REPORTEDLY WILLING TO PAY EC IMPORTERS COST OF ADVANCE DEPOSIT CERTIFICATE.

6. UK QUOTA MF 400,000 TON STOCKPILE IS 40,000 TONS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SOYBEANS. MAFF CONSIDERS IT UNLIKELY UK WOULD PURCHASE OR HOLD SUCH QTOCKS AS TRADE TRADITIONALLY WORKING OFF AFLOAT STOCKS NOT DOMESTICALLY STORED SOYBEANS. SPIERS

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